

Docket No. DELME-P2739

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Dan W.C. Delmer

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Art Unit: 3679

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Examiner: Aaron M. Dunwoody

For: COUPLING FOR PIPE AND RELATED METHODS

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION, AND PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Sir:

This communication is in response to the Final Office Action dated December 3, 2008. Applicant hopes that the remarks herein will result in reconsideration of the pending rejections and allowance of the claims.

Upon an indication of allowability of the claims, Applicant is prepared to amend any allowable dependent claims into independent form to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Remarks begin below.

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being transmitted via EFS to Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner of Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the date below:

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